submitted to the Cabinet after views of all concerned are received. The Bill will be implemented after it is enacted into law. No representation has been received from any farmer regarding recommendations of Parliamentary Standing Committe on Agriculture.

Sugarcane prices

1962. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that over the years the gap between the statutory minimum price fixed by the Central Government and the State advised price of the sugarcane given to sugarcane growers of certain States is widening;

(b) if so, in which way the Central Government propose to compensate the farmers of the rest of the country who are getting a lower price when compared with their counterparts;

(c) whether the Commission of Agricultural Costs and Prices (CACP) would be asked to reorient itself and fix remunerative price to the sugarcane growing farmers;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) There is no loss to the sugarcane farmers who are being paid according to the provisions of the Sugarcane (Control) Order, 1966, therefore, the question of compensation such farmers dues not arise.

(c) to (e) The Statutory Minimum Price (SMP) of sugar cane fixed by the Central Government is a Remunerative price. Hence, there is no need of asking the CACP to re-orient itself.

Production of pulses

1963. SHRI EKANATH K. THAKUR: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in the post Green Revolution period, the